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NEW SOVIET.ATR-TO-AIR MISSILES OBSERVED ON MIG-23: NEW SOVIET AA-7 AIR-TO-AIR HISSILE (AAM) WAS RECENTLY PHOTO-GRAPHED AT FALKENBERG AIRFIELD IN EAST GERMANY. THO OF THE MISSILES, DNE ON EACH WING LAUNCHER, WERE SEEN ON A MIG-23 FIGHTER DURING ITS LANDING APPROACH. THE SEMIACTIVE RADAR-GUIDED VERSION OF THE AA-7 WAS ON THE LEFT WING AND THE IN-FRARED-GUIDED VARIANT WAS ON THE RIGHT. THE ALET HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED ONLY WITH THE MIG-23 AND PROBABLY REPRESENTS AN IMPROVEMENT IN ACQUISITION AND INTERCEPT CAPABILITIES OVER EARLIER AAMS. IT IS QUITE LIKELY DESIGNED TO AID THE MIGH23 IN ITS LON-TO-MEDIUM ALTITUDE INTERCEPT POLE. TWO NEW SMALL MISSILES NOTED ON THE FUSELAGE STATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN IDENT-IFIED BUT THEY ARE ASSESSED AS BEING AAMS WITH INFRARED GUID+ ANCE. THEIR SIZE AND CONFIGURATION SUGGEST A SHORT-RANGE, COUNTER AIR ROLE. 9639

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